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Westminster, July 17.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to,

An Act for the better Support of His Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown of Great Britain.

An Act for enabling His Maiesty to settle a Revenue for supporting the Royal Dignity of the Queen, in Case she shall survive His Majesty.

An Act to enable His Majesty to be Governour of the South-Sea Company.

An Act for continuing the Imprisonment of Robert Blackburne and others, for the horrid Conspiracy to assassinate the Person of his late Sacred Majesty King William the Third, of Glorious Memory.

An Act for making further Provisions to enable Persons possessed of Offices at the Demise of His late Majesty, to qualify themselves for the Enjoyment of such Offices; and for altering and explaining the Acts of Parliament therein mentioned in relation to qualifying Persons for continuing in Offices, and to the Continuance of the Sheriffs of the County of Cornwall, and County Palatine of Chester, and several other Officers therein mentioned, after the Demise of His late Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, and for continuing such Laws as would expire at the End of this Session of Parliament.

After which, His Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Cannot but express the greatest Satisfaction in the convincing Proofs you have given Me, in this Session, of your Duty and Affection to my Person, and Zeal for my Government.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I must particularly thank you for your Unanimity and Dispatch, in granting me the Revenues necessary for the Support of my Family, and the Occasions of my Civil Government; which you have done in a Manner so very agreeable, and with such a due Regard to the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, that if any thing could add to my own Inclinations of making the Happiness of my Subjects my principal Care and Study, this Instance of your particular Confidence in me, would engage me more strongly to make use of the Power you have given me of doing good, in promoting the Honour and Interest of my People.

The ample Provision you have made for the Queen is another Instance of your Regard for me, which I am confident she will very well deserve, and I shall always acknowledge.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It is a great Happiness to me to see the Nation in so prosperous and flourishing a Condition, at the highest Pitch of Glory and Reputation, of great Weight in holding the Balance of Europe, defending themselves in their just Privileges and Possessions, and vindicating the Honour of the Crown of Great Britain.

At Home I find, among my Protestant Subjects, such mutual Charity and Forbearance diffused throughout the Kingdom, that the National Church repines not at the Indulgence given to scrupulous Consciences; and those that receive the Benefits of the Toleration, envy not the Established Church the Rights and Privileges which they by Law enjoy.

From these happy Causes and favourable Conjunctures has flowed that general Tranquility, that Rise of publick Credit, and that Improvement of Trade and Commerce, which have greatly increased our Wealth and Power, and given us that Respect and Influence abroad, which has so much advanced the Glory and Happiness of this Nation.

But all these Blessings, great and valuable as they are, had not been secured and transmitted to Us, without your having carefully avoided all Occasions of Strife and Division, without a strict Regard to publick Faith, a constant Care and Attention towards discharging the National Debt, and without that singular Steadiness and Resolution, which this Parliament has shewed upon all proper and necessary Occasions.

I can therefore make no doubt, but that your Behaviour, and the Temper you have shewn, will sufficiently recommend this Parliament to the Esteem and good Opinion of the

their Country; who, from the same Conduct, and by pursuing the same Measures, may promise themselves all future Prosperity.

The Expiration of this Parliament now drawing near, I will give Orders for issuing the Writs for calling and electing a new Parliament, as soon as it can conveniently be done; and I am perswaded, that the general Contest and Emulation in Expressions of Duty and Affection to me, which to my great Satisfaction I have universally met with, will be further demonstrated by the Choice of a Parliament zealously affected to our present happy Establishment in the Protestant Succession; and in Return, nothing shall be wanting on my Part, that can contribute towards improving a good Correspondence and Harmony between me and my People, and that can tend to perfect and perpetuate the Happiness of Great Britain.

Then the Lord Chancellour, by His Majesty's Command, said,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, That this Parliament be prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty Ninth Day of August next; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the 29th Day of August next.

AT the Court at St. *James's*, the 17th Day of *July* 1727.

PRESENT.

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council,

His Majesty having been graciously pleased to give the Custody of the Seals of the Dutchy and County Palatine of Lancaster to his Grace John Duke of Rutland, his Grace was by His Majesty's Command this Day sworn one of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy-Council, and also took the Oath of Chancellor of the said Dutchy.

St. James's, July 18.

The following humble Address of the Lord High Steward, the two chief Burgesses, and the Burgesses and Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, in Behalf of themselves, and the rest of the Inhabitants of that City and Liberty, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Charles Cavendish, and William Clayon Esq; introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Paget Lord of the Bed-Chamber to His Majesty in waiting. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord High Steward, Deputy-Steward, the two chief Burgesses, and the Burgesses and Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, in behalf of ourselves, and the rest of the Inhabitants of this City and Liberty, do with the utmost Duty and Loyalty presume to congratulate your Majesty upon your happy Accession to the Throne of your Ancestors, and to condole upon the Death of your Royal Father, whose Loss can be made supportable only by the Prospect of that great Happiness which we are assured of from the Regard and Concern your Majesty has been pleased immediately to shew for the preserving our Religion, Laws and Liberties, and for the Encouragement of Trade; which gracious Assurances from your Majesty, give the highest Pleasure and Satisfaction to all yonr Subjects, and more particularly to us, the Inhabitants of this your Majesty's ancient City and Liberty, which has for many Ages been not only honoured, but also in a particular Manner supported by the Residence of your Royal Ancestors.

We do in the most humble Manner presume to assure your Majesty, that we will take all Opportunities of shewing our chearful Obedience and Duty, with the utmost Zeal, Constancy and Fidelity; nor is there any thing further to which our utmost Wishes can aspire, than that God would be pleased long to continue to us these Blessings; to continue your Majesty happy in the Love and Dutifulness of all your Subjects at home, and in the Esteem of all Nations abroad; happy in a Royal Consort, whose Virtues reflect Honour upon the Crown she wears, and doubles the Felicity of your Majesty's Throne; happy in a numerous and virtuous Issue, through whom we trust Divine Providence intends to convey Blessings to this Nation in all succeeding Ages.

Given under our common Seal the 10th *Day of July*, 1727.

The following humble Address of the Bishop of Rochester, the Dean and Chapter of that Cathedral Church, and the Clergy of that Diocese, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Rochester Dean of the most Honourable Order of the Bath, accompanied by the Reverend Dr. Clagett Dean, Dr. Grant, and Mr. Barrell, Prebendaries, and others of the Clergy of that Diocese, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Paget Lord of the Bed-Chamber to His Majesty in waiting. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously, and they all had the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Bishop of Rochester, the Dean and Chapter of that Cathedral Church, and the Clergy of that Diocese.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, humbly beg Leave to condole with you, in the most sincere Manner, on the Death

Death of your Royal Father, our late moſt gracious Sovereign, whoſe Memory, on Account of his tender and indefatigable Care to preſerve to us our Religious and Civil Liberties, muſt be for ever dear to all among us, who have a true Concern for either of them.

After a Loſs ſo great, and ſo ſurprizing, nothing could have alleviated our Grief, and have raiſed in us again the greateſt Pleaſure, but the immediate Succeſſion of a Prince to the Throne, inheriting all the Virtues of his Royal Father, and adorned with every good Quality that is requiſite to make a King truly great, and a People happy: So that your Majeſty's early Declaration in Council, that the Preſervation of the Conſtitution in Church and State, as it is now happily eſtabliſhed, ſhould be your firſt, and always your chief Care, was an Inſtance of Royal Goodneſs, whereby you reſolved to merit the Love and Affection of your People, rather than an Aſſurance they wanted to induce them to hope for the Continuance of ſo valuable a Bleſſing.

Permit us therefore, from a grateful and joyful Reſentment of this your Goodneſs, to offer in your Preſence the ſincere Tenders of our moſt dutiful and affectionate Allegiance; and to acknowledge, with all Thankfulneſs, the good Providence of God, by whom Kings reign, in your peaceable and happy Acceſſion to the Throne of your Anceſtors. Since to omit this Acknowledgement muſt be unpardonable in your Clergy, who, beſides the Honour of having your Majeſty for the Defender of our moſt Holy Faith, have been graciouſly and firmly aſſured by you, that the Protection of the Church and Clergy, in the Enjoyment of their Rights and Privileges, ſhall be your particular Care thro' the whole Courſe of your Reign.

But beſides the Perſonal Virtues and Aſſurances of your Majeſty, we have, what was moſt wanting in former Times, an additional Security of our Happineſs from our gracious Queen, a Conſort worthy of yourſelf, a Friend to Piety and Virtue, and an Encourager of Learning; whoſe Judgment and Love of the Proteſtant Religion have been proved by the Temptations of a Crown, which Providence has now beſtowed upon Her for a Reward of Her Integrity, and as an Earneſt of a better that is reſerved in Heaven for Her.

Nor have we a ſhort and broken Proſpect of theſe Bleſſings: We depend not abſolutely for them on the ſacred and precious Life of your Majeſty, whilſt we ſee a numerous Royal Iſſue, of the greateſt Hopes, equal to their Birth and Education, who are the Love and Delight of the preſent Age, and remind us of that glorious Prince, who, by the ſettling the Succeſſion in the illuſtrious Houſe of Hanover, has fixed under the wonderful Providence of God, the ſtrongeſt Barrier againſt Popery; has ſecured to us all that is dear and valuable to a free People; and, as we truſt, has entailed upon us a Succeſſion of National Bleſſings for Ages to come.

Under the moſt affecting and religious Senſe of theſe Bleſſings, and our Duty, we promiſe, both by Doctrine and Example, to propagate in the Minds of thoſe committed to our Care, the trueſt Principles of Loyalty and Gratitude; never failing ourſelves earneſtly to pray to the King of Kings, that He may give your Majeſty the Hearts of all your People, and make your Reign long and proſperous; directing and bleſſing, with Succeſs, all your Counſels and Endeavours, ſo that you may perfect the great Work which was happily begun, and ſteadily purſued by your Royal Father, for the general Tranquility of Europe, for the Intereſt and Honour of theſe Nations, and for the Support of the Proteſtant Religion Abroad.

They were afterwards introduced to Her Majeſty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Grantham Lord Chamberlain of Her Majeſty's Houſhold, and had all the Honour to kiſs Her Majeſty's Hand.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Lord High Steward, Recorder, Steward, Aldermen and Capital Burgeſſes of the Borough of Stratford upon Avon, in the County of Warwick, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Henry Talbot, Eſq; introduced by his Grace the Duke of Dorſet High Steward of the ſaid Borough. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Lord High Steward, Recorder, Steward, Aldermen and Capital Burgeſſes of your Majeſty's ancient Borough of Stratford upon Avon, in the County of Warwick.

Dread Sovereign,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, beg Leave at the ſame Time we deplore the Loſs of our late moſt gracious Sovereign, of bleſſed Memory, to expreſs our utmoſt Joy and Satisfaction in your Majeſty's happy Succeſſion to the Imperial Crown of theſe Realms, with the univerſal Applauſe of your Subjects.

Your Majeſty's gracious Declaration of preſerving our happy Conſtitution both in Church and State, hath filled our Hearts with Joy and Gladneſs, and will ever engage us in Intereſt as well as Duty to exert our utmoſt Endeavours in Defence of your Majeſty's moſt ſacred Perſon and Government.

May your Majeſty, with your Royal Conſort our moſt gracious Queen, long reign the Glory, Safety and Happineſs of theſe Nations; and that there may never be wanting one ſprung from your Royal Perſon to fill your Throne, are the hearty Prayers of,

Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects.

In Teſtimony whereof, we have hereunto affixed the common Seal of the ſaid Borough, this 10th Day of July, in the Firſt Year of your Majeſty's moſt auſpicious Reign.

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The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats and Commonalty of the ancient Town of Winchelſea, in the County of Suſſex, has been preſented to His Majeſty by the Honourable Thomas Townſhend, Eſq; and Robert Briſtow, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Paget Lord of the Bed-Chamber to His Majeſty in waiting. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty of the ancient Town of Winchelſea, in the County of Suſſex.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful Subjects, humbly beg Leave to condole with your Majeſty the Death of our late Sovereign, whoſe Love of Juſtice, conſtant Regard to our Laws, Averſion to Acts of Power, Steadineſs and inflexible Reſolution to maintain the Proteſtant Intereſt abroad, and to preſerve our Liberties at home, had made him the Delight of his Subjects, and this Nation the Envy of all Europe.

Nothing could have made this Loſs ſupportable, but the Proſpect we have under your Majeſty's auſpicious Government, your known Goodneſs, and the Declaration you have been graciouſly pleaſed to publiſh to aſſure your Subjects, that you would protect them all in their civil and religious Rights, and would ſecure our happy Conſtitution in Church and State, make us approach your Majeſty with the utmoſt Pleaſure, to congratulate your happy Acceſſion to the Throne of your anceſtors.

So many Hereditary Virtues, and ſo many acquired ones in your Majeſty's ſacred Perſon; our gracious Queen your Royal Conſort, a Friend to true Religion and Liberty, and an Enemy to Superſtition and Slavery; a numerous Royal Progeny educated under ſuch ſhining Examples, are the ſure Preſages of your Peoples Happineſs; and your Majeſty's profeſs'd Concern to promote their Good, demands what we and all good Subjects ſhall be ready to pay, ſincere Gratitude, ready Obedience, true Loyalty, and cordial Affection.

The following humble Addreſs of the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Grand Jury, Juſtices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the County of Southampton, has been preſented to His Majeſty by the Right Honourable the Lord Harry and the Lord Naſſaw Powlett, their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Bolton Lord Lieutenant of that County. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Grand Jury, Juſtices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the County of Southampton, at the Aſſizes held at the Caſtle of Winchester, the 13th Day of July, 1727.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE have with Impatience waited this Opportunity to condole for the Loſs of our late moſt gracious Sovereign, whoſe Memory will be ever Sacred amongſt us, and to congratulate your Majeſty, in the moſt ſolemn Manner, on your happy Acceſſion to the Crown of theſe Realms.

We cannot better expreſs our Attachment to your Perſon and Government, than by aſſuring your Majeſty of the ſame Steadineſs and Zeal for your Royal Family, which, on all Occaſions, has particularly diſtinguiſhed this County.

It is with unſpeakable Joy that we ſee a Prince on the Throne endowed with all Virtues that can render him the Darling of his People, who graciouſly profeſſes to make the Laws of the Land the Rule of his Government, and the Welfare of his Subjects his continual Care; and we gratefully remember the early Valour with which your Majeſty diſtinguiſhed yourſelf in the Cauſe of Liberty.

It is with no leſs Pleaſure, that we ſee your Majeſty and the Nation bleſs'd with a moſt wiſe and virtuous Queen, who deſpiſed a Crown when it ſtood in Competition with her Religion; and with a numerous Royal Iſſue, who are ſo many Pledges of future Happineſs to this Kingdom.

That your Majeſty's Reign over us may be long and glorious, and that your Care for the Honour and Proſperity of your Kingdom may be bleſs'd with uninterrupted Succeſs, ſhall be our conſtant and daily Prayer.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Burgeſſes, Merchants, and principal Inhabitants of the Ancient and Loyal Corporation and Town of Portſmouth, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Lewis Barton, Eſq; Mayor of the ſaid Borough, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Bolton Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Southampton. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly, and Mr. Mayor had the Honour to kiſs His Majeſty's Hand.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Burgeſſes, Merchants, and principal Inhabitants of your Majeſty's moſt Ancient and Loyal Corporation and Town of Portſmouth.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

GRatitude, for the great Bleſſings we received from your late Royal Father, makes his glorious Memory dear to us; nor could the Loſs of ſo good a Prince have been otherwiſe ſupportable to us, than by your Majeſty's Succeſſion: Permit us therefore to condole

condole with your Majeſty that common Loſs, and at the ſame Time to aſſure your Majeſty, that it is with the greateſt Zeal, the ſincereſt Duty, and the utmoſt Joy, we congratulate your Majeſty's happy and peaceable Acceſſion to the Crown.

And as your Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to declare, that the Love and Affection of your People will always be eſteemed your beſt Support, we do promiſe your Majeſty the moſt chearful and affectionate Obedience.

We are fully perſwaded, that the Church of England, as now eſtabliſhed, (that Glory as well as Bulwark of the Reformation) and the Laws of this Kingdom, cannot be ſo well ſecured to us, as by the Wiſdom of a Prince who has ſtudied the Nature of our Conſtitution, and made himſelf a perfect Judge of the Happineſs reſulting from the Legal Government of a Proteſtant free People.

It is from your Majeſty's many excellent Virtues (of which we have had long Experience) that we reſt ſecure of continuing a happy and flouriſhing Nation; eſpecially when we behold your Royal Conſort our gracious Queen, whoſe Vertues give Luſtre to, inſtead of receiving it from a Crown: And as we are truly ſenſible that our preſent ineſtimable Bleſſings cannot ſafely be continued down to our Poſterity, but by the Succeſſion eſtabliſhed in your illuſtrious Houſe, it is our hearty Prayer, that your Majeſty may have a long and proſperous Reign over us, and that ſucceeding Ages may flouriſh under the Protection of your Royal Progeny.

Dated at the Guildhall of the ſaid Borough, this 11*th Day of July, in the Firſt Year of your Majeſty's Reign.*

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, Freemen, and principal Inhabitants of the Ancient Port and Corporation of Haſting, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Sir William Aſhburnham, Bart. and Archibald Hutcheſon, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by His Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle, one of His Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

May it pleaſe your moſt Excellent Majeſty,

WE your Majeſty's moſt loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Mayor, Jurats, Freemen, and principal Inhabitants of the Ancient Port and Corporation of Haſting, beg Leave to condole with your Majeſty on the Death of our late gracious Sovereign, your Royal Father; and heartily to join, with the unanimous Voice of your faithful People, in congratulating your Majeſty's happy and peaceable Acceſſion to the Imperial Crown of theſe Realms.

'Tis with the greateſt Pleaſure and Satisfaction we have read your Majeſty's moſt gracious Declaration, of making the Preſervation of our Conſtitution in Church and State your firſt and chief Care; and from the Experience we had of your mild and prudent Government, when appointed Guardian of theſe Kingdoms, we are perfectly aſſured of being protected by your Majeſty in the full Enjoyment of our Religion, Laws and Liberties, which ſo juſtly add a Glory to this Nation, and occaſions the Envy of all its Neighbours.

That your Majeſty may always be ſupported by a true Britiſh Parliament, and your Reign over us happy, long, and proſperous; and that the preſent Age may never ſee the End thereof, nor our Poſterity ever want a Prince deſcending from your Majeſty and your Royal Conſort our moſt gracious Queen, to reign over us, is the ſincere and hearty Prayer of,

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful, loyal, and obedient Subjects.

Given at Haſting, under the Common Seal of the ſaid Town and Port, the 4*th Day of July, Ann. Dom.* 1727.

The following humble Addreſs has been preſented to His Majeſty by the moſt Reverend Father in God the Archbiſhop of Canterbury, accompanied by a great Number of the Right Reverend the Biſhops, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Paget Lord of the Bed-Chamber to His Majeſty in waiting. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly, and they had all the Honour to kiſs His Majeſty's Hand.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Governours of the Bounty of Queen Anne, for the Augmentation of the Maintenance of the Poor Clergy.

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, incorporated for the Augmentation of the ſmaller Livings of the Clergy of the Church of England, do beg Leave to expreſs our Sorrow for the Death of our late moſt gracious Sovereign, and at the ſame Time to declare our great Joy in the happy Acceſſion of your Majeſty to the Imperial Crown of theſe Realms: We do moſt heartily bleſs Almighty God for giving us your Majeſty to repair our Loſs, and to take into your Care and Protection that Church which hath received ſo many Benefits from the Favour of your Royal Anceſtors.

The Bounty with which we are intruſted had its Riſe from the gracious Diſpoſition of Her late Sacred Majeſty Queen Anne, who laid the Foundation of this Charity; and the poorer Clergy were in her Reign eaſed of a Charge which till that Time lay upon them: But it was in the firſt Year of your late Royal Father, of glorious Memory, that they began to receive the farther intended Benefit of it, by an actual Augmentation of poor Livings, which hath been made annually ever

ſince:

ſince: And as this will give them Occaſion, with Pleaſure, to remember the auſpicious Entrance of your moſt illuſtrious Houſe upon the rightful and lawful Government of theſe Kingdoms, ſo we perſwade ourſelves, it will induce them to pay the moſt chearful Obedience to it thro' the whole Courſe of your Reign.

We humbly intreat, that we may aſſure your Majeſty of our Fidelity and Care in the Diſcharge of the Truſt repoſed in us for their Advantage, and we doubt not of your Majeſty's Favour and Encouragement in the Proſecution of ſo pious and uſeful a Work; of which we have received a happy Earneſt, by the Declaration your Majeſty, in your great Goodneſs, hath been pleaſed to make from the Throne, that it ſhall be your conſtant Care to preſerve the eſtabliſhed Religion and Church of this Nation.

May your Majeſty live to ſee the good Effects of this Bounty, eſpecially in the Increaſe of true Religion amongſt your People, thro' the better Support of thoſe whoſe particular Duty it is to promote it in their ſeveral Places and Stations.

And as your Majeſty hath given us the moſt unqueſtionable Aſſurance of your Love and Affection to your Subjects, ſo may all Orders and Degrees of Men, in theſe Realms, with Hearts full of affectionate Zeal and ſuitable Actions of Duty, gratefully contribute to the Support and Security of your Crown in a long and happy Reign over us.

Given under our Common Seal, the 3d Day of July, in the Year of Lord 1727.

They afterwards waited on the Queen, and his Grace the Lord Archbiſhop made their Compliments to Her Majeſty in a Speech, to which her Majeſty was pleaſed to return a moſt gracious Anſwer, and they all had the Honour to kiſs her Majeſty's Hand.

The following humble Addreſs has been preſented to His Majeſty by the moſt Reverend Father in God the Archbiſhop of Canterbury, accompanied by the Honourable John Verney, Eſq; the Treaſurers, Court of Aſſiſtants, and a great Number of other Gentlemen Members of the Corporation, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Paget Lord of the Bed-Chamber to His Majeſty in waiting. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly, and they all had the Honour to kiſs His Majeſty's Hand.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of his Grace the Archbiſhop of Canterbury Preſident, the Honourable John Verney, Eſq; Vice-Preſident, the Treaſurers, Court of Aſſiſtants, and Governours of the Charity for Relief of the poor Widows and Children of Clergymen.

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

IT is not only our common Duty as Subjects, but it is our particular Obligation as Governours of this Charitable Corporation, which our late moſt gracious Sovereign was pleaſed to diſtinguiſh with ſingular Inſtances of his Favour, to approach your Throne upon this Occaſion; and to aſſure your Majeſty, that we ſhare very ſenſibly with you in your Grief and Affliction for the Death of your Royal Father, and we moſt ſincerely congratulate your Majeſty upon your happy Acceſſion to the Throne of your Anceſtors.

Tho' the early Declaration which your Majeſty was pleaſed to make to your Council, and to confirm in the ſtrongeſt Manner to your Parliament, that the Preſervation of the Conſtitution in Church and State, as it is now happily eſtabliſhed, ſhould be your firſt, and always your chief Care, was no more than what all your Subjects promiſed to themſelves from your known Goodneſs and Virtue, from the conſtant Regard which you have ſhewn to the Church of England, and from the Love and Affection which they were ſenſible your Majeſty bore to this Country: Yet it could not but fill the Hearts of your People with the utmoſt Joy and Satisfaction, to obſerve, that your moſt gracious Declarations of your Endeavours to make your People happy, were equal to the Hopes which had been long raiſed in them: And from the Experience which they have already had of your Majeſty's Wiſdom and Reſolution, and all your other truly great Qualities, they are firmly aſſured, that your Majeſty's Actions will even exceed your moſt gracious Declarations.

We here appear before your Majeſty as a Corporation, which from the firſt Foundation of it, has been protected by the Favour, and aſſiſted by the Munificence of your Royal Predeceſſors: The diſtreſſed Circumſtances of ſo many Widows and Children of Clergymen of the Church of England, have always recommended this Society to their particular Care. And we now with Pleaſure behold a King upon the Throne, happy in a Royal Conſort our gracious Queen, from both whoſe eminent Goodneſs and Piety, this Corporation may promiſe itſelf a Continuance of the Royal Favour and Protection.

In a juſt Senſe therefore of theſe Bleſſings, we do humbly adore the Goodneſs of God for placing your Majeſty upon the Throne of your Anceſtors; and as your Majeſty is graciouſly pleaſed to look upon the Love and Affection of your People as the beſt Support and Security of your Crown, ſo that your People may be always ſenſible of their Happineſs, in having their Religious and Civil Rights ſecured to them by your Majeſty's ſitting upon the Throne of theſe Kingdoms, and by the Continuance of the Succeſſion in your Royal Houſe, ſhall be the conſtant Prayer of this Corporation.

In Teſtimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal, the 1ſt *Day of July, Anno Domini* 1727, *and in the Firſt Year of your Majeſty's Reign.*

They afterwards waited on the Queen, and His Grace the Lord Archbiſhop made their Com-

Compliments to Her Majeſty in a Speech, to which Her Majeſty was pleaſed to return a moſt gracious Anſwer, and they all had the Honour to kiſs Her Majeſty's Hand.

The following humble Addreſs of the Biſhop, Dean and Chapter, Archdeacon and Clergy of the Dioceſe of Litchfield and Coventry, has been preſented to His Majeſty by the Right Reverend the Lord Biſhop of Litchfield and Coventry, accompanied by ſeveral of the Clergy of that Dioceſe, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Herbert Lord of the Bed-Chamber to His Majeſty in waiting. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Biſhop, Dean and Chapter, and Clergy of the Dioceſe of Litchfield and Coventry.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WHILE other Orders of Men, among your Majeſty's Subjects, ſtrive to be moſt forward and moſt zealous in Expreſſions of Joy for your Majeſty's peaceable Succeſſion to the Throne of your Anceſtors, we the Biſhop Dean and Chapter of your Cathedral Church of Litchfield, and other the Clergy throughout the Dioceſe of Coventry and Litchfield, as ſenſible as the beſt affected, of your Majeſty's Love to our Country, of your Regard to the laſting Intereſts of your People, of your great Abilities for Governments, whereof your Majeſty hath already given us an ample Specimen, as well as of your early Concern, even to the expoſing of your Life, for the Proteſtant Cauſe, and the ſecuring of the Balance of Europe, cannot bear being Silent upon this great Occaſion; but having offered up our Thanks to Almighty God for advancing your Majeſty to rule over us, after that it ſo pleaſed the Divine Wiſdom to take your Royal Father, of precious Memory, from us, are deſirous to proteſt to the World our ſincere Reſolutions of ſtedfaſt Duty and Obedience to a Prince that we have Reaſon to believe will deſerve the utmoſt from us.

As Clergymen we are particularly bound, beyond many other of your Subjects, to preſent our moſt humble and hearty Acknowledgements to your Majeſty, for your early Declaration of making the Preſervation of the Conſtitution in Church and State, as it is now happily eſtabliſhed, your firſt, and always your chief Care.

Joyning the Obſervance of this Rule to the ſecuring of the Religious and Civil Rights of all their Subjects, your Majeſty's Predeceſſors have not fail'd to gain the Affections of their People, to render themſelves eaſy and glorious, and to make their Kingdoms flouriſh: And the Experience your People have had of your Majeſty's Juſtice and ſtrict Regard to the Legal Privileges of every Perſon, hath filled the Kingdom with ſuch univerſal Satisfaction, (ſcarcely to be parallel'd by the like in former Times) upon your Majeſty's Acceſſion to the Crown, as gives good Ground to be perſwaded, that, following the like Meaſures, your Majeſty muſt ſucceed into as high an Eſteem and Love of your People, as any of your beloved Anceſtors; and your People be as happy under your Government, as the beſt of Kings can make them.

In Return for ſo much Goodneſs, this ſhall be the Subject of our Prayers, as it is our Wiſhes and Hopes, that every Year of your Reign may be as dear to your People as the preſent; and the Toils of Government every Year leſs and leſs burthenſome to your Majeſty: That our gracious Queen, the Partner of your Cares, may live long to ſhare with your Majeſty the Fruits of your good Government; and that both may together ſee much and laſting Comfort in your Royal Iſſue, whom you will have prepared to govern well after you with your Inſtructions, and made wiſe by your Examples; and who are not more the Delight now of your Majeſty than they are a Stay to this Generation, and the pleaſing Hope of Poſterity.

Dublin, June 11. On Sunday the 9th Inſtant the Lords Juſtices met at the Caſtle, where the great Apartment was hung in Mourning on Occaſion of the Death of His late moſt Sacred Majeſty. Their Excellencies being attended by the Nobility, the Biſhops, and the Lords of His Majeſty's Privy-Council in their mourning Coaches, and by the Judges and ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction, went in State to Chriſt-Church. The Earl of Abercorn carried the Sword of State, and a Sermon ſuitable to the Occaſion was preached by Dr. Clayton, one of the Senior Fellows of the College.

The Court of Directors of the Equivalent Company give Notice, That the General Court of the ſaid Company, which was held at their Houſe in Freeman's Court in Cornhill, London, on Friday the 30th Day of June laſt, is adjourned till Thurſday the 20th Inſtant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, when it will be again held at the ſame Place on Special Affairs; the Charter granted to the Company for Banking in Scotland being now paſſed the Seals there.

The Managers of the Temple-Mills Braſs Works give Notice, That Attendance will be given Tueſday, Thurſday, and Friday in every Week, to the 15th of Auguſt next, from Nine to Twelve, and from Three till Six each Day, at Mr. Robert Rampſhire, Undertaker, in S. Thomas Apoſtles, near Queen-Street, London, to take the Claims of all Perſons who have any Right or Title to any Parts or Shares in the Copartnerſhip; and all Perſons are deſired to take Notice thereof, and make their Claims accordingly by the Time aforeſaid.

The Society of London for the Iriſh Plantation do hereby give Notice, That they intend to meet at the Iriſh Chamber, Guildhall, London, on Thurſday the 27th Inſtant, at Four in the Afternoon, to receive Propoſals in Writing, ſealed up, for Letting by Leaſe from Lady-Day 1728, the Four Quarterlands of Molenan, Ballyowgry, Termonbacco, and Ballynegowan, within the Liberties of the City of Londonderry in Ireland, and the Mill, &c. on Termonbacco; whereof further Particulars and Information may be had of James Brace their Secretary, at the Iriſh Chamber aforeſaid, or in St. Lawrence Lane, London.

Advertiſements.

A Freehold Eſtate, conſiſting of the ſeveral Mannors of Gappath, Bolchay, Madbury, Aſhburton, Dunchiddock, Ewe